

**Bureau of Indian Standards  
Northern Regional Laboratory  
Mohali**

**Date: 26-07-2024**

**Our Ref: NRL/Sample Cell/ Status (C-43098)**

**Subject: Regarding acceptance of Skimmed milk power samples at BIS NRL.**

1. This has reference to testing facility of skimmed milk powder as per IS 14542 and IS 13334 (Part-1) at NRL.
2. It has been observed that multiple samples of skimmed milk powder are being received through courier without proper sealing.
3. Due to above, testing sections are reluctant to accept the same stating that samples in such condition are not fit for testing and there is probability of cross contamination of samples.
4. As a result, Sample Cell are constrained to take up with BOs leading to increased number of disputed samples and also resulting in inordinate delay in testing.
5. In view of above, all BOs are requested to kindly direct the concerned officers/OSA/Officials to kindly ensure that **samples are sealed in such a way so as to protect it from deterioration as stipulated in Packing and Marking clauses of respective standards, while sending samples to the BIS NRL for testing.**
6. This issues with Approval of Head (NRL).

Sd/-  
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